Case CM2414M

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Matter of:

U.S. National Phase Entry
Under 35 USC § 371 from
the International Application of:

Matthew Grady Mcgoff, et al.:
Int'l Appln No. PCT/US00/27332:
Int'l Filing Date of 04 October 2000:
Entitled: WATER UNSTABLE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.112

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

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Prior to Examination and computation of the fees for entering the captioned International Application into the U.S. National Phase, please preliminarily amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following Remarks.

<u>AMENDMENTS</u>

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 1 to 14 and insert therefor new Claims 15 to 21 as follows.

- 15. A foam component comprising a matrix formed from a polymeric material and a plasticiser, a dissolution aid and an active ingredient; wherein said foam component is adapted for stability upon contact with air and instability upon contact with water.
- 16. The foam component according to claim 15, wherein at least part of the active ingredient is released upon contact with water.